can the men of other countries do more than we? Shall we, who can transmute granite and ice into gold and silver, and think it pleasant work,—shall we shrink from the higher task of transforming brutish men back into human shape? Other countries are beginning to rescue their idiots from further deterioriation, and even to elevate them; and shall our Commonwealth continue to bury the talent of lowly children, committed to her motherly care, and let it rot in the earth, or shall she do all that can be done, to render it back with usury to Him who lent it? There should be no doubt about the answers to these questions. The humanity and justice of our rulers will prompt them to take immediate measures for the formation of a school or schools for the instruction and training of idiots.

The benefits to be derived from the establishment of a school for this class of persons upon humane and scientific principles would be very great. Not only would all the idiots, who should be received into it, be improved in their bodily and mental condition, but all the others, in the State and country, would be indirectly benefitted. The school, if conducted by persons of skill and ability, would be a model for others. Valuable information would be disseminated through the conntry; it would be demonstrated that no idiot need be confined or restrained by force; that the young can be trained to industry, order, and self-respect; that they can be redeemed from odious and filthy habits, and that there is not one of any age, who may not be made more of a man, and less of a brute, by patience and kindness, directed by energy and skill. —*Dr. Howe's Report.*

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The following is a list of the wars that have taken place between England and France alone:—1141, one year, 1161, twenty-five years; 1191, fifteen years; 1335, twenty-one years; 1368, fifty-two years; 1422, forty-nine years; 1492, one month; 1512, two years; 1627, two years; 1666, one year; 1689, ten years; 1702, eleven years; 1744, four years; 1746, seven years; 1793, nine years; 1803, eleven years; and lastly, in 1815, when this calculation was made, fourteen years, making, within a period of seven hundred years, two hundred and sixty-six of desolate wars, and loss of millions of lives.

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LIKE JESUS.

I want to be like Jesus,
So lowly and so meek;
For no one marked an angry word
That ever heard him speak.

I want to be like Jesus,
So frequently in prayer;
Alone upon the mountain top
He met his Father there.

I want to be like Jesus,
For I never, never find,
That he, though persecuted, was
To any one unkind.

I want to be like Jesus,
Engaged in doing good,
So that it may of me be said,
'She hath done what she could.'

Alas! I m not like Jesus,
As any one may see;
O! gentle Saviour, send thy grace
And make me like to thee!

*London Missionary Society.*

PLAIN GOODS, PLAIN GOODS.—The balance of our winter stock to be sold at low prices, to make room for a large and extensive assortment of goods, suitable for the coming season. We invite Friends to call and examine our good, as very particular attention is given to the plain trade.

JOHNS & PAYNE.
1 mo. 6-tf. N. W. corner 4th and Arch.

GOOD DRY GOODS—FRIENDLY STYLES.—EYRE & LANDELL, S. W. corner Fourth and Arch, have endeavoured for the last nine years to establish a good store for Plain Goods, where Friends might resort and be suited in all kinds of superior Dry Goods adapted to their wants, at prices quite reasonable.

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| Seal Skin Shawls, | Fine Linens, |
| Plain Shades of Merinoes, | Silks for Friends, |
| Plain Thibet Shawls, | Quiet De Laines, |
| Barcelona Hdkfs. | Plain Alpacas, |
| Plain Calicoes, | Plain Table Covers, |
| Neat Ginghams, | Good Black Silks, |
| Good Gloves only, | India Goods, |
| Hosiery, very good, | Good Flannels. |

E. & L. have annexed the store on Fourth St., which gives them a shawl room, also a merino room, separate from main store. Their basement is well stocked with Furnishing Linen and Housekeeping Goods; also muslins by the piece.

P. S. Friends can always depend upon meeting with the best articles of Cap Crape and Crapleisse, purest Cap Gauze, fine Cap muslin, Tarletons, Book Hdkfs., all not only of the best quality, but in the best possible order.
1st mo. 1-tf.

REMOVED.—T. E. CHAPMAN has removed his Book and Stationary Store to No. 1 South Fifth street, where he has just received a fresh supply of new and beautiful BOOKS from New York and Boston, suitable for the present season, which he invites his friends and the public generally to call and examine, viz:

Irving's Sketch Book, illustrated; Whittier's Poems; Leaflets of Memory; Read's Female Poets of America; Pictorial Life of William Penn; Christmas Blossoms, &c. &c.

Friends' Almanacs and Marriage Certificates on hand.
Country Merchants supplied with School and Blank Books at very low prices.
T. E. CHAPMAN, No. 1 South Fifth St.

WANTED.—A young Friend about 16 ye rs of age, as an apprentice to the retail Drug and Apothecary business—one who has had a liberal education.

For further information apply to the publishers of this paper.
12th mo. 29th, 1848. 4t.

FREE PRODUCE STORE.

FREE LABOR DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES. Wholesale and Retail.

Shirting and Sheeting muslins, heavy and fine.
Calico, different widths and qualities—various styles.
Furniture Prints, Satin Stripes.
Cap Crapes and Cap Lisse.
"Scotch," "Manchester," and Domestic Ginghams.
Apron and Furniture Checks. Cotton Handkerchiefs
Cambric and paper Muslins, assorted colours.
Cotton Twilled Pantaloon Stuffs. Suspenders.
Canton and Summer flannels. Table Diaper. Oil Cloths.
Twilled Cotton bed spreads and Ticking.
Irish linens, warranted free from cotton.
Hosiery, knitting and sewing cotton.
Satinets. Mouslin de lain, all wool.
Wadding and cotton laps. Umbrellas.
A variety of other articles, produced wholly by FREE LABOR.

☞Expected in a few days, a general assortment of fine hosiery—bleached and brown.

TEAS, carefully selected for families and stores.
Refined loaf, crushed and pulverized sugar.
Brown sugar, of good quality, a great variety.
Superior molasses, sugar house and West India.
Coffee, (many kinds) chocolate, cocoa, rice, spices, confectionary, &c., &c.

☞Just received, a few pounds of pure Caraccas Chocolate, for invalids. Country merchants supplied with free labour goods at advantageous prices, and families, remote from depots of free goods, ordering in considerable quantities, will be furnished at low rates accordingly. TERMS CASH.

GEORGE W. TAYLOR,
N. W. corner Fifth and Cherry Sts.
Philadelphia, 6 mo. 29, 1848.

FRIENDS' MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES.—We have purchased of the late Elijah Weaver the entire stock of Marriage Certificates, beautifully engraved on English parchment, and adapted to marriages by Friends' ceremony, either before the meeting or at private houses. We have also purchased the copper plate, and shall keep them for sale in future, at our store, No. 4 N. Fifth street.
12th mo. W. D. PARRISH & CO.

FRIENDS' ALMANACS FOR 1849.—Having purchased the entire stock of the above almanacs of the late Elijah Weaver, and having made arrangements with Joseph Foulke for their future publication, we expect to keep on hand a constant supply.
W. D. PARRISH & CO., No. 4 North 5th St.

CHESTERFIELD BOARDING SCHOOL FOR BOYS,—Is situated on the Crosswick's road, about three miles from Bordentown, N. J. The winter term will commence on the 26th of 11th mo., 1848. The course of instruction will embrace the usual branches of a practical English education. For particulars inquire of the Principal, Henry W. Ridgway, or of G. M. JUSTICE, No. 149 Market street, SAMUEL TOWNSEND, Baltimore, or M. S. FOSTER, Trenton, N. J.

FALL AND WINTER GOODS.—CHARLES ADAMS invites attention to his newly selected and extensive stock of DRY GOODS, many of which have been ordered expressly to suit the wants of "Friends," and plain persons generally.

The colors of the French merinos, cashmeres, merino finish, parmettas, glossy alpacas, mouslin de laines and queen cloths, are thought to be better than usual, and the prices very low.

Plain style printed goods of different fabrics. Glossy black silks in great variety.

UNSHRINKABLE FLANNELS, white, yellow, scarlet, drab and mixed, from course to very fine.

Sheer book muslin, hdkfs., silk blind, bobbinet, &c.

FURNISHING GOODS.

C. A. constantly keeps a full supply for persons commencing housekeeping or replenishing.

Damask table cloths, napkins, linen sheeting, shirting and for pillows, toweling, &c., &c., have been purchased at auction, and are sold at less than importation cost.

No. 79 Arch St., between 2d and 3d St., North side Philada.

Plain style blanket shawls, the best assortment he ever offered, and other shawls generally.
9 mo. 23.

WHITE WHEAT FAMILY FLOUR.—An assortment of extra Flour selected expressly for family use, constantly on hand and for sale by
CALEB CLOTHIER, Family Flour Dealer,
4th mo. 8th, 1y. No. 35 N. 5th St. near Arch.

NEW HAT STORE.—Kimber & Dickinson, No. 19 North Fourth Street, have opened and offer for sale an entire new stock of Hats and Caps, made and trimmed in the best manner, the materials of which having been purchased exclusively for Cash, they are prepared to furnish any article in their line on the most reasonable terms 4 mo.1,—tf.

REMOVAL.—Emmor Kimber, Jr., informs his friends and customers that he has removed from No. 34 to No. 19 North Fourth St., nearly opposite his former place of business; and having for more than twenty years paid particular attention to the manufacture of Plain Hats, feels confident that his experience in this branch of business will enable him to give his customers entire satisfaction. 4mo. 1—tf.

J. C. JENKINS & CO., Tea Dealers and Grocers S. W. corner of Chestnut and Twelfth Street. Entrance to Tea Store on Chestnut street, do., Grocery store, on Twelfth street ☞One of this concern having been many years engaged in the Tea Trade in Canton, gives them particular facilities in that line, possessed by but few in any other establishment in this country.
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